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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LOAD  
BALANCING IN NETWORK  
PROCESSING DEVICE

Group Art Unit: 2666

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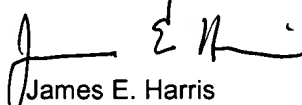
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